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CITY OF DUBLIN APPOINTS NEW PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

DUBLIN, Calif., June 2, 2016 – Following a nationwide recruitment, Dublin City Manager Chris Foss has appointed James M. Rodems, District Administrator for the Cordova Recreation and Parks District, to the position of Parks and Community Services Director. Mr. Rodems fills the vacant position created when Paul McCreary resigned to head up the Hayward Area Recreation District in January 2016.

"I am pleased to announce the appointment of James Rodems as the new Parks and Community Services Director for the City of Dublin. We are fortunate that the search resulted in the appointment of an individual with extensive experience in parks management, facilities management and operations, event planning, and capital project management," said City Manager Chris Foss. "His background and outstanding fiscal management skills make him the ideal candidate to guide the City of Dublin in the building and operation of our future parks and facilities."

Mr. Rodems is arriving at the City of Dublin during an exciting time, as the City is embarking on the expansion of its parks system with the addition of several new neighborhood parks, as well as the design and development of new community park features, including Fallon Sports Park Phase 2 and the new Emerald Glen Recreation and Aquatic Complex, all of which will add to Dublin's high quality of life.

Mr. Rodems began his career in recreation services in 1995 as the Director of the Activity and Recreation Center at the University of California, Davis. In addition to his current position in Rancho Cordova, he served as the City of Lodi's Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services from 2007 to 2012, and was General Manager of the Stockton Event Center from 2005 to 2006. He has an undergraduate degree in Recreation Services from California State University, Fresno.

Of his appointment, Mr. Rodems said, "I am honored to join the City of Dublin as Director of Parks and Community Services, and I look forward to working with the City Council and City Staff to provide the highest level of parks programming and recreational services to the Dublin community."

Mr. Rodems will begin as Dublin's Parks and Community Services Director on August 1, 2016.